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SUBJECT: AMERICAN YACHT BRILLIG

REF: 1. PARIS 31059, 2. PARIS 31130

EMBASSY LIAISON OFFICER SHOULD CONTACT THE VIETNAMESE EMBASSY TO MAKE A FURTHER DEMARCHE ON BRILLIG AS FOLLOWS:

A. THE AFFAIR CONTINUES TO RAISE PRESS ATTENTION IN THE U.S. IN ADDITION, THE DEPARTMENT IS SUBJECT TO INCREASING CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST.
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B. WE REMAIN CONVINCED THAT A SPEEDY RESOLUTION OF THIS MATTER IS IN THE MUTUAL INTEREST OF BOTH THE U.S. AND VIETNAM.

C. WE APPRECIATE PERMISSION FOR THE CREW TO RECEIVE TELEGRAMS AND LETTERS IN CARE OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY IN

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HANOI. HOWEVER, FAILURE OF VIETNAMESE AUTHORITIES TO PERMIT IMPARTIAL ACCESS TO THE CREW RAISES QUESTIONS INTERNATIONALLY AND WITHIN THE U.S. CONCERNING VIETNAMESE TREATMENT OF THEM.

D. ON BEHALF OF THE FAMILIES OF THE CREW, WE INTEND TO

REQUEST THE ASSISTANCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS TO GAIN ACCESS TO THE CREW.

E. WE HAVE NOTED VIETNAMESE ALLEGATIONS THAT THE YACHT WAS CARRYING A NUMBER OF "CASES" OF NARCOTICS OR SOME SUCH SIMILAR SUBSTANCE. REQUEST DETAILS OF THIS ALLEGATION AND RELATED FACTS AS PART OF THE INFORMATION PREVIOUSLY REQUESTED.

F. WE REPEAT OUR REQUEST FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND CLARIFICATION OF VIETNAMESE INTENTIONS TOWARDS THE BRILLIG AND ITS CREW. VANCE

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